GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
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Disruption in Train Services due to rains
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the train services in Mumbai, Central Railway/ Western Railway have disrupted during rain due to break down of overhead equipment last month;

(b) if so, the details thereof ;

(c) the reasons for frequent break down of overhead equipment and other operational infrastructure due to which passengers suffer a lot;

(d) whether it is a fact that several train services in Mumbai suburbs were affected during rain due to water logging; and

(e) if so, the details of action plan prepared/being prepared by the Railways for smooth passage of trains during such situations?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS

(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)

(a) to (c) There were Over Head Equipment (OHE) wire parting cases in last month on Central Railway due to major change of system from 1500 volt DC to 25000 volt AC which is now stabilized. The other reason is failure of rail weld.

(d) Suburban services in Mumbai area were disrupted due to heavy rains on 19.06.2015, 20.06.2015 and 21.07.2015 due to water logging.

(e) Round the clock monitoring of vulnerable locations through the control room by deputing offices and supervisory staff is done and steps are initiated to bring stranded trains to nearby stations and evacuate commuters by arranging alternative means of transport to the extent possible.
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